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In re the application of: **OHGOSHI, Hiroshi, et al.**

Serial Number: **09/926,562**

Group Art Unit: **3726**

Filed: **February 5, 2002**

Examiner: **JIMENEZ, Marc Q.**

Confirmation No.: **8658**

For: **RESIN ROLLER AND DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE RESIN ROLLER**

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the requirement for an election of species dated November 24, 2003, Applicants provisionally elect the Species A: corresponding to claim 12, and further elect the Species C: corresponding to claim 37. The Examiner has indicated that claims 11 and 35 are generic. Furthermore, claims 14-16 are dependent on claim 12. As such, claims 11, 12, 14-16 as they depend from claims 12, 35 and 37, are believed to read on the elected species.

This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained, and that the Examiner will consider other species upon allowance of a generic claim.

Applicants respectfully request an early examination of the elected claims and favorable action on the merits. If the Examiner has any questions with this response, please feel free to call the undersigned at the indicated telephone number.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for this extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2866, along with any other additional fees which may be required with respect to this paper.

Respectfully submitted,

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